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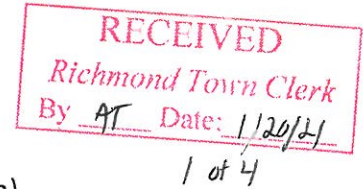
**Town of Richmond**  
**Planning Board Public Hearing**  
**January 11, 2021      7:00 PM      Veterans Hall**

**Members Present:**

Lloyd Condon (Vice Chairman)  
Doug Smith (Secretary)  
Eric Duda  
Doug Bersaw (Selectman's Rep.)  
Jed Butterfield (Alt.)

**Members Absent**

Jason Macdonald  
Seth Reece  
Butch Morin (Alt.)  
Stacie Maillet (Chairman)



Public: William Danial and Andrew Wallace.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.

Vice Condon seated to Chair the meeting.  
Jed Butterfield seated for Seth Reece.

**1. Public:**

No one from the public.

**2. Mail:**

Southwest Region Planning Commission December 2020 newsletter.

**3. Proposed Zoning Ordinances Ballot 2021:**

Public Hearing to accept Zoning changes to be presented on the Ballot in March.

Public hearing called to order at 7:05 PM.

Vice Condon started with (1) Article 2 for Wetland setback changes.

**(1) Article 2: Establishment of Districts, under 202.1 Delineation of Districts more specifically C. Wetlands Conservation District:** To decrease the Wetland Conservation District setback from 75' to 25'.

If the proposed setback from 75' to 25' passes by ballot vote the setback would be changed in:

**Article 6: Wetland Conservation District, under 601 General:** to decrease the Wetland setback from 75' to 25'.

Motion made by Bersaw to accept the Zoning Ordinance change for Article 2 decreasing the wetland setback from 75' to 25'. Seconded by Duda.

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Open for discussion: Butterfield stated that he would prefer to keep the larger distance in the wetland district.

With no further discussion: Four in favor. One opposed. No abstentions. Motion carries.



Vice Condon address the second proposed Zoning change.

**(2) Article 3: General Provision, under 301 Ruins:** To remove the word dilapidated from 301.

Ruins are well defined in Article 17, more specifically Page 34 of the Richmond Zoning Ordinances under Article 17: Definitions, more specifically 1758.

**New Ordinance would read:**

**Article 3: General Provision, under 301 Ruins:** No owner or occupant of any land in the Town of Richmond shall permit ruined buildings, buildings damaged by fire or other catastrophe to remain or to be occupied, but must remove, repair, or replace such building, bringing it into conformity with all applicable laws within one year of the damage or the time that the ruins have come to the attention of the Selectmen.

Motion made by Bersaw to accept the Zoning Ordinance change a written. Seconded by Duda.

Open for discussion. No discussion.

Four in favor. One opposed. No abstentions. Motion carries.

Vice Condon addressed the third proposed Zoning Change.

**(3) Article 3: General Provision, under 305 Recreational Vehicles:** To clarify time periods for allowed short and long-term use by the Selectmen.

**New ordinance would read:**

**Recreational Vehicles,** Recreational vehicles may be occupied on a temporary basis for up to two (2) weeks without a permit from the Selectmen. After 2 weeks a Recreational Vehicle may be occupied for up to three (3) months after notification to the Selectmen, unless, it is located in a campground or recreational vehicle camping park provided there is adequate provisions for water and septic disposal. Upon written application the Selectmen may grant an extension not to exceed three (3) consecutive months.

Mattson explained that when rewriting the proposed amendment for Recreational Vehicles in the last meeting of December 29, 2020 it was voted to add: **The beginning 2 weeks would be encompassed in the first 3 month stay at that time.** When the finalized proposed ordinance was rewritten to reflect that meeting this section was left out. Chairman Maillet noticed the difference and had planned to address the absence of this sentence at the public hearing January 11, 2021.

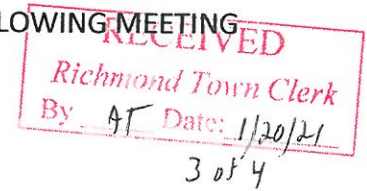
Motion made by Smith to accept and add the change to include that the first 2 weeks would be included in the first 3-month period. No second. Smith retracted his motion.

Motion made by Bersaw to accept the proposed Zoning change as written. Seconded by Duda.

Open for discussion. There was no discussion.

All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.





Vice Condon addressed the fourth zoning change.

**(4) Article 6: Wetland Conservation District under 602 Purpose, specifically 602.1:** To change the word would to could.

**New Ordinance would read:**

**602.1** To prevent the development of structures and land uses on naturally occurring wetlands, which could contribute to pollution of surface and ground water by sewage or any other pollutants, or cause damage to abutter's property.

Motion made by Bersaw to accept the ordinance change as written. Seconded by Smith.

Open for discussion. There was no further discussion

All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

**(5) Article 17: Definitions, Under 1770 Wetlands:** to change the definition to the State of NH Wetland definition for conformity with the State of NH Department of Environmental Services.

**New Ordinance would read:**

**1770 Wetlands** - "Wetlands" means an area that is inundated or saturated by surface water or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal conditions does support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions.

Motion made by Bersaw to accept the proposed ordinance as written. Seconded by Duda.

Open for discussion. There was no discussion.

All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

There were no significant changes in the proposed Zoning changes it was the consensus of the board that a second hearing would not have to be scheduled.

Discussion to prepare the proposed zoning changes for the ballot in March.

Motion to adjourn the Public Hearing by Smith. Seconded by Bersaw. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries. Public Hearing adjourned at 7:18 PM.

#### **4. Minutes December 15, 2020:**

**Page 4, Under VII Buffers:** second line down first word change the word thee to there. Same paragraph 4<sup>th</sup> line down add the word section, line should read: This was discussed in section V-J.

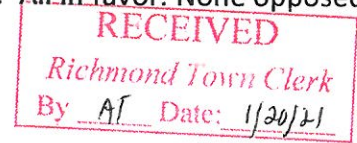
**Under IX Parking, Loading and Pedestrian Safety:** Under 1. Change the word Request to Requested.

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**Page 7, Third paragraph down**, third line down. Change the 2 months to 2 weeks. Should read: they stayed for 2 weeks or less they.

Motion made by Duda to accept the minutes as amended. Seconded by Smith. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

**Minutes December 29, 2020:**



**Page 1,** last paragraph, second line: Change the word deuteriation to deterioration. Should read: or neglect resulting in deterioration to the point of not.

5<sup>th</sup> line down add an ed to cover. Should read: dilapidated was covered in the definition.

Page 3, 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph down, Third line, change the word at to as, should read: as the State of NH.

Seventh paragraph down, first line add the word certain and up to. Line should read: he could find on certain pesticides was up to 250 ' and the State regulates that.

Motion made by Bersaw to accept the minutes as amended. Seconded by Smith. Four in favor. None opposed. One abstention. Motion carries.

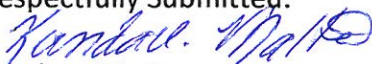
**5. Other:**

There was no other.

Motion made by Smith to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bersaw. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Kandace Mattson.